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7 January 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Transmitter and Receiver Units for the ASA, Mobile Unit
(ED-175P)

1. [] TSS/ASD, 6 January 1960. No communication equipment is available for installation in the V/W at the present time. The original Motorola equipment can not be modified to accomodate 4 channel transmission. A special transmitter, custom built, is needed to obtain 4 channel transmission, and such a task will require 9 months after awarding the contract. Other electronic equipment, not including the V/W units, is being considered by the CI Staff. The V/W units are a part of the overall electronic proposal which the CI Staff has under consideration. Until the electronics contract is awarded the mobile unit project may suffer a delay of perhaps one year.

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2. In view of this alarming delay, [] was going to request CI Staff to modify their request for a 4 channel transmitter to a 2 channel unit. The two channel units are readily available and may be retuned to satisfy the wave lengths required.

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3. It was suggested to [] that a combination of 2 channel units could result in a 4 channel capability. If CI Staff are insistant upon 4 channels this arrangement could probably be worked out with little delay. [] will inquire into this matter with CI Staff.

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4. If the special 4 channel transmitter (para 1) is desired and the one year delay is invoked, a "mothball" process will have to be undertaken to insure adequate protection and storage of the vehicle until the equipment is ready for installation. In addition, it may be necessary to delay the completion of the modification of the vehicle until the physical parameters of the transmitter and receiver units are obtained. The undersigned will obtain a "roundhouse" quotation for the "mothballing" operation to serve as an indicator for [] in his discussion with CI Staff. In addition, an estimate of obtaining two of the 2 channel Motorola units and retuning will be obtained by the undersigned from the contractor. [] will be supplied this information on 11 January 1960.

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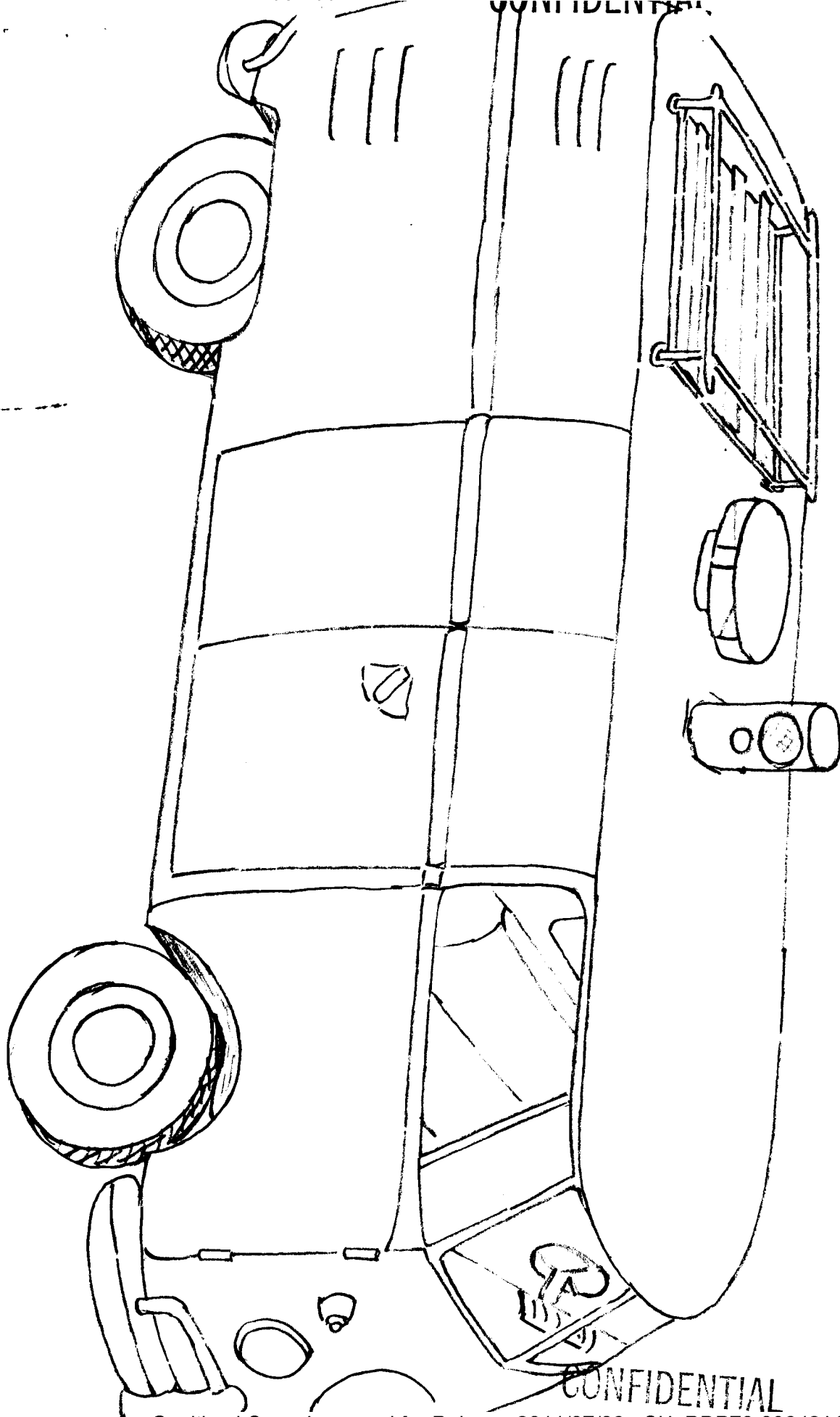
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